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TIMMONS AND WILLARD ARE DENIED BAIL

Hearing Before Judge Cothran Yesterday

BOTH CLAIM DID NOT SHOOT

Attorneys for Luther Timmons and Monroe Willard appeared before Judge Thos. H. Cothran at Greenville and applied for bail. Solicitor Blackwell for State.

Luther Timmons and Monroe Willard, public service drivers of Clinton, charged jointly with the murder of Policeman Hosea Martin, of this city, on the night of December 14th, were refused bail at habeas corpus hearing held before Judge Thos. H. Cothran, in Greenville, yesterday. Featherstone & Knight appeared as counsel for the defendants and Solicitor H. S. Blackwell appeared for the state. Timmons and Willard were brought up from the state penitentiary at Columbia Monday and are now in the county jail to await trial at the next term of criminal court in March.

In their first public statement since the night of the tragedy, as contained in their affidavit filed in the hearing, both Timmons and Willard deny having shot a single shot and claim that they did not know that anyone had been killed until three o'clock the next morning, about four hours after policeman Martin was wounded. For the first time, also, Timmons publicly claimed that he himself received a wound in the back on the night of the tragedy.

Affidavits in addition to those made at the inquest were filed by Rural Policemen Owens and Abrams, the first being made to prove that the two defendants were on an unlawful errand and the latter to rebut the testimony of the defendants that they were not armed on the night of the tragedy.

Following are the affidavits of the two defendants and the two officers:

Affidavit of Defendants
State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens.

Personally appeared before me Luther Timmons and Monroe Willard each of whom after being duly sworn, says: That on the night of December 14th last, they were traveling together with no one else in a Ford touring car on the road leading from Madden Station in said County and State to Clinton in said County and State and while so traveling these deponents unexpectedly met two cars with several men about the hour 11:30 near Lisbon Church between two said points or places, and these deponents did not see or discover said cars and men until they were right upon them in the road, and in coming in contact with said men one of said parties ran around and undertook to stop these deponents without disclosing who they were or what their purpose was, and these deponents not knowing who they were or what they wanted, with some difficulty drove around between said cars to avoid trouble or being held up, and as these deponents drove their car between the two standing cars in the road and after having passed one standing car and while about opposite the other, several shots were fired behind these deponents moving car and one of said bullets hitting the deponent in the back of the left shoulder.

Neither of these deponents were armed on said occasion not having a pistol of any description and these deponents further sayeth, that neither of them fired a single shot during said night while on said road.

These deponents after passing said parties and their automobiles in said road, went straight on to Clinton and upon their arrival at Clinton, went immediately to the room of T. J. Leak for the purpose of having him to examine a pistol wound in the shoulder of the said Timmons and see how serious it was. Thence they went to King Stroud's residence in the town of Clinton, and that these deponents did not learn until about three o'clock the next morning that any one in said party had been shot and killed.

Deeming the foregoing sufficient for the present we hereby reserve the right to testify more fully and in detail at the day of our trial in Court.

Sworn to and subscribed to before

GOVERNORS PLEAD FOR NEAR EAST

Wrote Christmas Appeals in Behalf of Starving Victims of Turks. More Funds Needed.

Headed by Gov. Robert A. Cooper of South Carolina, sixteen State Executives who attended the recent Governor's Conference at Charleston have written Christmas time appeals to the people of their states in behalf of the work of the Near East Relief, according to advices received at Columbia from New York and announced by Congressman A. F. Lever, Honorary State Chairman.

According to Mr. Lever, this is the second time the Governors of the country have recognized the services of the Near East Relief in succoring the victims of Turkish barbarity and hatred for Christianity. At the conference in Harrisburg, Pa., last year they passed a resolution of endorsement, but this year have gone further and made individual appeals.

In addition to Governor Cooper, the following State Executives have signed appeals for the Near East Relief this year: Robt. D. Cary of Wyoming, Wm. C. Spraul of Pennsylvania, Thos. E. Kilby of Alabama, Edward I. Edwards of New Jersey, D. W. Davis of Idaho, W. D. Denny of Delaware, Ephraim F. Morgan of West Virginia, J. M. Dixon of Montana, Henry J. Allen of Kansas, Chas. B. Mabey of Utah, Thos. E. Campbell of Arizona, J. B. A. Robertson of Oklahoma, Nathan L. Miller of New York, Everett J. Lake of Connecticut and Jas. Hartness of Vermont.

The Near East Relief has undertaken to raise \$100,000 in South Carolina before June 30 next, to carry on its child-saving work in Armenia, Georgia and other famine and Turk-ridden states in Transcaucasia, Syria, Palestine and Mesopotamia. The Palmetto State is taking care of 1,665 children whose parents were murdered by the Turks for refusing to renounce Christ and become Mohammedans.

DEATH OF MRS. JANIE PINSON

Beloved Woman Dies at Her Home at Cross Hill.

Cross Hill, Dec. 26.—Death again entered our midst on Wednesday, Dec. 21st, and claimed one of our consecrated Christian ladies. Mrs. Pinson, though feeble, owing to her advanced age, was seriously ill only a few hours, so her death came as a shock to her many friends. She was a consistent member of Liberty Springs church.

Mrs. Pinson is survived by her husband, Mr. J. S. Pinson, and one daughter, Mrs. S. A. Leaman, and one son, Mr. T. M. Pinson, of Cross Hill. One brother, (Dr. J. H. Miller, and one sister, Mrs. W. V. Payne, of Petersburg, Va., also survive her.

The funeral services were held at Liberty Springs church on Thursday, Dec. 22, at 3 o'clock, being conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. D. Hatchford, assisted by the Methodist and Baptist pastors of the town.

The remains were interred at the Presbyterian cemetery. The active pallbearers were nephews of the deceased. Our community deeply sympathizes with the bereaved family.

Waterloo Teacher Dead

Miss Sarah Stuart, principal of the Waterloo school, died at the Greenwood hospital Monday night after a brief illness. She first became ill immediately after the Christmas exercises at the school Friday night and the next morning was carried to her home in Coronaca, being carried from there to the hospital at Greenwood. The funeral services will be held today at Coronaca, a large number of patrons and pupils of the school going over to pay their last respects. Miss Stuart was very popular both among the children and people of the community and her death is deeply mourned by all who knew her.

Death of a Child

Boyce Madden, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Earl Madden, who live on Sullivan street, died at 3 a. m., Sunday morning and was buried in the local cemetery Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved parents in their sorrow.

Cotton Market Stronger

The cotton market showed an upward tendency yesterday, as it did several days previous to the Christmas holidays. The market advanced about forty points yesterday, local spots being quoted a shade as 18 cents, though few sales were made.

THREE MORE WORKING DAYS IN ADVERTISER BIG CONTEST

Chock Them Full of Persistent Effort for the Rewards Justifies the Hardest Kind of Work

Contest Closes Promptly at 1 P. M. Saturday

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

The following is the standing of candidates:

* Mrs. L. Connor Fuller . . . 664,000
* Mrs. Hayne Taylor . . . 660,000
* Mrs. J. N. Hudgens . . . 650,000
* Miss Henry Etta Owings 648,000
* Mr. W. A. Wilson . . . 630,450
* Miss Elberta Teague . . . 602,500
* Mrs. M. F. Medlock . . . 600,000
* Miss Lillie Mae Cox . . . 590,000
* Miss Eva Bolt . . . 440,000
* Miss Laurence Culbertson 430,000
* Miss Bessie Gillespie . . . 421,500
* Miss Mary Sue Dagnall . . . 411,100
* Miss Daisy Belle Owings . 401,550
* Mrs. Hogan Walker . . . 401,000
* Miss Louise Saxon . . . 400,000
* Miss Frances Blakely . . . 396,000
* Miss Mary A. Powers . . . 395,500

Just three more days in which to strive for those four grand prizes and commissions. The leaders for the past three weeks still hold their own, but the rewards for steady, faithful work may see a great and radical change by the time the three judges render their verdict. No one has an absolute certainty. Not one has an iota of advantage or favor. Every cash prize, every

standing has been won by straight out, honest work and merit, and that's the way the four valuable prizes will be won. The publisher and contest manager have no favorites except insofar they admire a persistent, never-say-die worker—a worker who does not get discouraged and will not acknowledge defeat for the highest goal till the last minute has passed.

Mrs. L. Connor Fuller took the last cash prize of \$7.00, winning by a small margin over Mrs. Hayne Taylor.

The extra vote for the week ending December 31st (end of contest) will be \$0.00 for each \$15.00 in subscriptions turned in.

Now, for those New Year's gifts in prizes and commissions. Who will win the Big Four?

CROWD IN THOSE LAST THREE DAYS A WHOLE WEEK'S HARD WORK.

Let us have an 11th hour whirlwind finish.

And remember, THE CONTEST CLOSES AT 1 P. M. PROMPTLY. All contestants having business to turn in must be in the Advertiser office at that hour.

BAPTISTS PROTEST TROOP WITHDRAWAL

Send Petition to President to Speak to France in Behalf of Armenians.

The First Baptist church of Laurens, at the morning services Christmas day, adopted resolutions voicing a protest against the reported withdrawal of the French troops from Armenia, thus leaving the defenseless people of that country to the further possible atrocities of the Turks, and calling upon President Warren G. Harding to use his good offices in an effort to save the Armenian people from another massacre. It was stated in press dispatches a few days ago that the French troops probably will be withdrawn from Armenian territory January 4, and that appeals had been made to the president of the United States to intervene to the extent of preventing the contemplated step at this time.

The resolutions, as adopted by the Baptist congregation, is a strong petition to the president "to heed the cry of a defenseless and doomed people, and to save them from the terrible tragedy that threatens them."

C. H. Roper, who read the resolutions, was appointed as chairman of the committee named to present the petition to the president through United States Senator N. B. Dial, and it is understood that Gov. R. A. Cooper, who is a member of the board of deacons of the Laurens Baptist church, will be asked to sign the resolutions along with other officers and members of the church, including the pastor, the Rev. Samuel H. Templeman.

Negro Killed Another

Casper Thompson is dead and Julius Finley is behind the bars at the county jail, also painfully wounded, as a result of a fight which took place between them near the old Pitts place, in Seuffletown township, Tuesday afternoon. According to reports of bystanders, Finley shot Thompson in the back with a 32 pistol after Thompson had fallen on the ground. Finley, who was seriously cut while the fracas was in progress, came to Laurens for medical attention and was arrested by Sheriff Reid while his wound was being dressed.

Taxes Being Paid Slowly

Taxes are coming in slowly, said County Treasurer Young, yesterday. With only this week left during which county taxes may be paid without penalty, he said, a very small proportion of the taxes had been paid. People have a tendency, however, to put off the tax paying question until the last minute and the treasurer is looking for heavy receipts this week.

LAD MAKES GOOD WITH OWN DAIRY

Yeargin Poole, Beginning on a Small Scale, Has Large Dairy in Laurens County.

Gray Court, Dec. 26.—What a young man can accomplish by staying on the farm, applying himself earnestly to the tasks at hand and being eternally ambitious is shown by a visit to the dairy of Yeargin Poole, three miles from Barksdale and twice that distance from Gray Court.

This young man, who returned from the navy three years ago, has shown that brains and pluck will offset experience in managing a dairy. He was a student at Clemson before entering the navy and after tossing about on one of Uncle Sam's floaters for 15 months was eager to return to the farm.

As many persons know (and some have experienced) the farm has a dark side as well as a bright one. The liberty, the freedom from alarm clock and hourly bell are offset by the heat of summer, the cold of winter and the uncertainty as to a market for farm products.

Young Poole decided to launch into the dairy business for two reasons. The first of these, he said, was because he wanted to stay at home and quit traveling over the country. The second was because a man from Spartanburg who visited the place, suggested a dairy, offering to buy all of the milk young Poole would ship there.

Beginning on a small scale the former sailor has expanded until he has 21 cows, many of them registered Jerseys and Guernseys, and many other head of cattle. The adjoining fields, where is grown most of the forage necessary to sustain the cattle, show benefits of fertilization and are a keen contrast to the red hills where many farmers still persist in placing only fertilizer that is sold in sacks. Lastly (if this might be termed progress) young Poole has systematized his marketing and ships cream each morning to Greenville, having abandoned Spartanburg as a market.

He is yet a young man, being only well started in his twenties, but unless there is a change he says he probably will keep at the dairying industry. He has learned much about it, he says, although modestly admitting that what he doesn't know would fill a book. But the farm, the large milk cans which each morning are carried by trucks to the railroad station and the fine herd of cattle speak success for the lad more plainly than do any of his own words.

Mr. P. B. Trby, of Gastonia, is spending the holidays in the city.

WOULD GET \$500,000 UNDER NEW ROAD PLAN

Governor's Highway Program Would Call for 76 Miles of Improved Highways in Laurens.

Under the State Highway program, which Governor R. A. Cooper will present to the legislature at the coming session Laurens county will receive a total of \$500,000 for the construction of 76 miles of roads.

The attached tabulation shows what each county's share in the proposed road construction fund would be:

COUNTY	Share of \$20,000,000 for road construction.	Miles of State Highways.
Abbeville	300,000	72
Aiken	680,000	135
Allendale	180,000	43
Anderson	920,000	150
Bamberg	220,000	50
Barnwell	260,000	64
Beaufort	220,000	55
Berkeley	380,000	120
Calhoun	200,000	54
Charleston	1,180,000	98
Cherokee	320,000	48
Chester	380,000	73
Chesterfield	380,000	93
Clarendon	340,000	37
Colleton	360,000	88
Darlington	500,000	52
Dillon	280,000	41
Dorchester	240,000	62
Edgefield	240,000	52
Fairfield	320,000	55
Florence	580,000	62
Georgetown	300,000	73
Greenville	1,140,000	131
Greenwood	460,000	86
Hampton	240,000	61
Horry	380,000	75
Jasper	180,000	53
Kershaw	380,000	89
Lancaster	280,000	61
Laurens	500,000	76
Lee	280,000	58
Lexington	460,000	82
McCormick	180,000	64
Marion	260,000	54
Marlboro	420,000	1
Newberry	440,000	80
Oconee	360,000	44
Orangeburg	640,000	180
Pickens	320,000	57
Richland	1,100,000	79
Saluda	240,000	38
Spartanburg	1,100,000	116
Sumter	480,000	64
Union	340,000	61
Williamsburg	400,000	86
York	540,000	86
Total	\$20,000,000	3,414
Total mileage		3,414
Constructed or provided for . . .		1,600
To be constructed		1,814

MORE LIQUOR CAPTURED

House of Mack Reynolds in Clinton Raided and Eight Pints of Whiskey Captured. Reynolds Arrested.

Eight pints of Christmas joy juice was side-tracked from the main line Friday and detoured to the sheriff's office as the result of a raid made in the Clinton cotton mill village by Sheriff Reid, Rural Policemen Owens and Abrams and Chief of Police Mason, of Clinton. The house of Mack Reynolds was searched and eight pints of whiskey taken, besides two empty gallon containers and a quantity of empty bottles. Reynolds himself was arrested and brought to the county jail.

Celebrates 69th Birthday

The home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Mac Roper was made happy on last Monday when all of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, with the exception of 1 daughter and 3 grandchildren, gathered to share in the celebration of Mr. Roper's 69th birthday. The long table made ready for the occasion was laden with good things to eat, the handsomely decorated birthday cake forming the center attraction. There were about 30 present, four generations being represented.

Stock to be Re-Sold

The W. G. Wilson stock of dry goods sold at public auction last week to Mr. C. J. McWhirter, of Newberry, is to be re-sold, according to advertisements made by Mr. Thos. D. Wilson, brother of the deceased owner. It is understood that Mr. McWhirter failed to comply with the terms of the sale.

MARTIN FUND TO BE ENLARGED

Christmas Fund to be Made Endowment

SANTA CLAUS VISITS ORPHANS

Christmas for Orphaned Martin Children is Made Happy by Generous Public. Fund to be Enlarged so as to Form Permanent Maintenance Fund.

The orphan children of Hosea Martin, killed in an attempt to halt alleged liquor runners on the night of December 14, were enabled to enjoy a visit from Santa Claus like other children as a result of the open-hearted response to the appeal for that cause as contained in The Advertiser last week. The mail of The Advertiser has contained checks from this city and other cities in the state, as seen in the list of contributions below, and a personal canvas by Mr. L. G. Roff, a member of The Advertiser force, brought still other contributions. The total sum thus far realized amounts to \$106.85.

The editor of The Advertiser, after conferring with friends, decided that it would not be wise to expend this large sum for Christmas presents alone, especially since it had been found that a few gifts had already been sent the children. It was therefore decided to expend a reasonable sum, about \$10, for toys and trinkets for the children and enough money, \$4.40, to buy a case of condensed milk for little Lois, the infant child.

The Advertiser is informed that the five older children are to be taken into an orphanage. The orphanages at this time have more applications than they can possibly comply with, we are told. To accept so many children from one family under the present conditions is readily seen to be out of the ordinary and for that reason The Advertiser is going to place itself at the service of a sympathetic public in helping to give reasonable assistance to the orphanage in caring for these children.

Therefore, unless objection is raised by the donors to the fund to date, the balance of the fund, amounting to \$92.45, will be made a nucleus to be enlarged into a substantial fund to be presented to the orphanage as an endowment fund, known as the Hosea Martin Endowment Fund. This fund we hope to make at least \$1,000. The interest from this, of course, will not commence to pay the expenses of these children while they are in the orphanage, but it is expected that the fund will remain with the orphanage in perpetuity, thus serving to repay in part the debt of gratitude on the part of the public and at the same time creating a memorial to the dead officer which shall instill into the minds of future generations a respect and admiration for law enforcement.

W. R. Richey, Jr. \$2.00
Red Cross 10.00
Advertiser 2.00
W. M. Hundley50
Miss Beth Shell 1.00
Dr. W. D. Ferguson 1.00
Mrs. L. Connor Fuller 1.00
Ernest Easterby 1.00
S. B. Sexton50
Jim Moore50
T. L. Monroe50
W. P. Thomason50
W. G. Lancaster50
Laurens Kennedy25
C. H. Roper50
Stanley Crews 1.00
Cash25
Owings & Bobo50
Mrs. Clara M. Davenport, (Greens 2.00
J. M. Clardy25
Oscar Henderson50
Cash 10
W. S. Power25
C. A. Power25
Ross D. Young 1.00
G. P. Jenkins50
W. Solomon25
L. G. Roff50
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Edgar Barksdale50
T. L. Timmerman50
J. T. Crews 2.00
S. C. Wood50
C. K. Ray50
R. L. Walker 1.00
T. R. Easterby50
R. A. Babb50
W. P. Hudgens25

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